

PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL LETTER

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Transmitted herewith for filing is the patent application of: **MARK T. MERCER**, entitled: **FLOATING DEBRIS AND WEEDLINE MARKER**, which claims the benefit of and priority to U.S. Provisional Application Serial No. 60/461,021, including specification, abstract, and claims totaling 11 pages.

Enclosed are:

- ☒ Five (5) sheet(s) of ☒ formal, ☐ informal drawing(s).
- ☐ An assignment of the invention to .
- ☐ Information Disclosure Statement, ☐ Form PTO-1449.
- ☒ Applicant claims small entity status under 37 CFR 1.27.
- ☒ Executed Declaration by the Inventor.
- ☐ Preliminary Amendment
- ☒ Request and Certification Under 35 U.S.C. 122(b)(2)(B)(i)

☒ **CLAIMS AS FILED SMALL ENTITY**

Basic Filing Fee		\$385.00
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REQUEST AND CERTIFICATION
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